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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I chose a local provider, Omsoft Technologies, because they ARE local and can provide good service. The only other provider in Davis is AT&T and, while their employees are nice, I abhor the lack of AT&T's focus on privacy and their greedy pricing structure. I support broadband competition and you should too. Most of the new fiber comes from local CLECs, not the big corporate behemoths. I am still waiting for fiber. I could not live well without broadband connectivity.

Please maintain the Bridge 2 Broadband!

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